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OF NEUROLOGICAL

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TECH CENTER 1600/2900 PROVISIONAL ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 WITH TRAVERS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement, mailed September 23, 2002, and in accordance with Rule 143 of the Rules of Practice, please consider the following remarks. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate) for responding to the Restriction Requirement, accompanied by a provision authorizing payment of the required fee.

It is estimated that no additional fee is required for filing this response. In the event that an additional fee is required, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

REMARKS

Claims 18-37 are pending in this application. The Examiner has required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of one of the following groups:

- Claims 18-19, 22-24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34, drawn to a method of I. treating dementia, classified for example in class 424, subclass 130.
- Claims 20-21, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33 and 35-37, drawn to a method of II. treating Alzheimer's, classified for example in class 424, subclass 184.1.